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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2007.

Prior to examination of this application on the merits, Applicants wish to amend the claims. The **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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